

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, line 1, delete “TITLE”.

On page 1, line 3, delete “DESCRIPTION”.

On page 1, line 4, replace “Field of the Invention” with - - **FIELD OF THE INVENTION** - -.

Please amend page 1, lines 5-7, as follows:

The present invention relates generally to [an antidazzle raster for] lighting fixtures [making use of light sources that are tubular in shape, especially of the fluorescent type] and, more particularly, to assemblies for producing enhanced lighting effects.

On page 1, line 8, replace “Description of the prior art” with - - **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION** - -.

Please amend page 1, lines 9-23, as follows:

[As is known, the antidazzle rasters, with which the greater part of the lighting fixtures with tubular light sources of the aforementioned type are equipped with,]

Conventional anti-dazzle rasters for tubular light sources, e.g., fluorescent bulbs, are typically [made] formed by two side pieces, e.g., constructed of aluminum sheeting [and are constituted by two side pieces], generally of an arcuate profile, and by a plurality of transverse partitions mounted thereto via snap fit engagement with notches in the side pieces. [that] The side pieces are also generally parallel to and diverge from opposite [parts with respect] locations relative to the median plane in which the light source is situated [and by a plurality of transverse partitions mounted by means of a snap fit in appropriate notches provided in the side pieces. The] Such partitions often [may] have a V-shaped section with transverse flaps bent back towards the interior thereof for [stiffening purposes] added stiffness. Because these [These] partitions [have to] must be mounted on the side pieces, one at a time, [on the side pieces of the raster, so that this type of] the anti-dazzle raster which results has been found [tends to be] relatively [costly] expensive.

On page 2, line 9, replace “Object and summary of the invention” with - - **OBJECTS AND SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION** - -.

On page 2, line 10, replace “The” with - - An - -.

Please amend page 2, lines 17-25, as follows:

This [aim is] and other objects are attained [with the antidazzle raster in accordance with] by the present invention, [which is characterized in that] in which [the]

side pieces are made of a relatively rigid and resistant material and [that] the partitions are grouped into modular units, each unit being formed by a [certain] selected number of partitions connected to each other by [means of two] a plurality of generally parallel connection pieces and being attached, by [means of a] snap fit engagement, to [said] the side pieces, the modular unit preferably being [made of plastic] constructed of a polymeric material or the like by [means of] injection [moulding] molding.

On page 2, line 26, replace “Brief description of the drawings” with - - **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS** - -.

Please amend page 2, line 27 to page 3, line 9, as follows:

The present invention will now be described [in greater detail by means of] with reference to the following exemplary description [of an embodiment thereof,] which is [given purely by way of example and] not to be considered [limitative] limiting in any way, [said] such description making reference to the attached drawings [of,] in which:

[- Figure 1 shows] FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a partition module for an anti-dazzle raster [in accordance with], according to one aspect of the present invention;

[- Figure 2 shows] FIG. 2 is a perspective view of a portion of a neon lamp [on which there is mounted the] for mounting an anti-dazzle raster in accordance with the present invention; and

[- Figure 3 shows] FIG. 3 is an exploded perspective view of [the] an anti-dazzle raster in accordance with the present invention.

On page 3, between lines 9 and 10, insert:

The same numerals are used throughout the drawing figures to designate similar elements. Still other objects and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the following description of the preferred embodiments.

On page 3, line 10, replace “Detailed description of the Invention” with --
DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

Please amend page 3, lines 11-19, as follows:

Referring now to the drawings and more particularly to FIGS. 1-3, there is shown generally a specific, illustrative, [to the above figures, the reference number 1 indicates the two side pieces of the] anti-dazzle raster, according to one aspect of the present [in accordance with the] invention. In one embodiment, the raster preferably comprises two side pieces 1 constructed of a suitable material, e.g., [made of] aluminum sheeting. [, while 2 indicates a] A modular element 2 is [made up] constructed of a [certain] selected number of parallel transverse partitions 3, set a constant distance apart, and connected to each other by [means of] two bars 4. [The partitions] Partitions 3 and [the] bars 4 [constitute] are preferably formed into a single piece [made] constructed of a selected plastic material, such as polycarbonate [for example], by [means of] injection molding or the like.

Please amend page 4, line 18 to page 5, line 2, as follows:

[With a view to permitting] To enable [the subsequent coupling of] several modules 2 [in order to realize] to be coupled to one another and, thereby, achieve an anti-dazzle raster of [the] a desired length [and maintain], while maintaining the same distance between the partitions, also at [the position of] the joint between two adjacent modules, [the] bars 4 project beyond the terminal partitions 3 of each module by a length equal to half the distance between two partitions. Advantageously, at the beginning of the projecting part of each bar 4 [there may be provided], a tear-off line, indicated by reference number 9 in [Figure] FIG. 1, may be provided in order to facilitate [the] removal of the projecting part of the bar [4] from the terminal modules of the raster [, thus permitting the]. This, in turn, permits application of a closure plug or some other accessory with equivalent functions. [In this way] Thereby, it is also possible to use a single modular element both as an intermediate module of the anti-dazzle raster and as a terminal module after the projecting ends of [the] bars 4 have been removed.

On page 5, line 3, replace “Thanks to” with - - Because of - -.

On page 5, after line 13, insert:

Various modifications and alterations to the invention may be appreciated based on a review of this disclosure. These changes and additions are intended to be within the scope and spirit of the invention as defined by the following claims.